SENATE BILL 3056 By Jackson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9, relative to lottery scholarship eligibility.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-902, is amended by deleting item (7) in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

- (7) "Eligible high school" means:
 - (A) A Tennessee public secondary school;
- (B) A private secondary school that is located in Tennessee and is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools; or
- (C) A public out-of-state secondary school located in a county contiguous to Tennessee that permits, by agreement with a local education agency in a Tennessee county contiguous to the other state, residents of such Tennessee county to enroll and attend such school, with or without payment of tuition, in lieu of such students attending high school in the Tennessee county of residence.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-905(b), is amended by deleting the language "graduated from a Tennessee high school," and by substituting instead the language "graduated from an eligible high school, graduated from a high school located in Tennessee that is not an eligible high school,".

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-905(c), is amended by deleting the language "graduate from a Tennessee high school," and by substituting instead the language "graduate from an eligible high school, graduate from a high school located in Tennessee that is not an eligible high school,".

SECTION 4. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-909(a), is amended by deleting the language "who graduates from a Tennessee high school," and by substituting instead the

language "who graduates from an eligible high school, who graduates from a high school located in Tennessee that is not an eligible high school,".

SECTION 5. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-918(a), is amended by deleting the language "graduates from a Tennessee high school," and by substituting instead the language "graduates from an eligible high school, graduates from a high school located in Tennessee that is not an eligible high school,".

SECTION 6. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to students seeking financial assistance from lottery proceeds for the 2004-2005 school year and thereafter.

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